



Saint Cecilia Catholic Community

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All are invited to join a Eucharistic Procession for the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), Sunday, May 25, 2008, after the 10:30AM Mass. The procession will go from Saint Cecilia Parish to Inis Grove Park. Bring your rosaries along as the rosary will be prayed as we process to the park. Fr. Nienhaus will lead Benediction at the park, followed by a light picnic.

The Ames Police Department will provide safe crossings. Those who are unable to walk are invited to drive to the park and wait near the newest shelter on Duff Ave. Transportation will be provided back to the Church so that drivers may pick up their cars and return to the park to pick up the rest of their passengers. This beautiful event will be meaningful to all who spend this time in Jesus' Real Presence.

Pope John Paul II reminded us: "The devout participation of the faithful in the Eucharistic procession of the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ is a grace from the Lord which yearly brings joy to those who take part in it." Ecclesia de Eucharista.

Sponsored by Eucharistic Adoration, the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Daughters of America.

May 18, 2008

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM
5:00 PM. Misa en Español
(Burke Memorial Chapel)

Tuesday thru Friday
7:00AM, 5:15PM Chapel

Holyday
Check the bulletin

Reconciliation *(Reconciliación)*

Saturday 3:30-4:30PM
and by appointment
cualquier horario para una cita

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Religious Education

for the whole parish family

Early Registration for Religious Education and Youth Ministry Programs for Fall 2008 is now taking place.

[A discount is available for registrations received before June 1.](#)

Forms available on the parish website.

Preschool & Kindergarten

Classes are held the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month during the 10:30AM Mass. May date: 18

Middle School Youth

Mark your calendars: YIKES Adventureland Trip, Wednesday, June 25.

Visit the Webpage at www.stceciliaparish.org, go to "Middle School Youth Group" for a schedule of activities.

Youth Ministry Grades 9-12

Glory End of the Year Party! Wednesday, May 21, 7-9:00PM, A/Y Room. Join us for cake and ice cream and help break in our new DDR & Guitar Hero.

Last 9th Grade class: Wednesday, May 28, 7-8PM, A/Y Room.

Confirmation Meeting with Parents: Wednesday, May 28, 8-8:30, A/Y Room

For Youth Ministry information please visit the website www.freewebs.com/stceciliayouth

Young Adult

Young Adult Faith-Sharing Group: All adults 18-35 are welcome to join us for our Memorial Day Grill-Out, Thursday, May 29, 7PM at Brookside Park. Bring a dessert or side to share! R.S.V.P. to Anna, 515-232-3514.

RCIA

For information on joining the Catholic Church, call John at 232-3514.

Baptism Class

Our next preparation session is **Thursday, June 5, 6:30-9:00PM** in the A/Y Room. **All parents seeking baptism for their child are expected to attend a preparation session.** To register for the class or schedule a baptism, please call the parish office at 233-3092.

Adult Education

Scripture Study: Meets Mondays, 7:30-9:00PM in the A/Y room. Next session: May 19.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Meets in the A/Y room, 9:30-10:00AM for open discussion and 10-11:00AM for Bible Study. Next session: May 20.

Memorial Day Eucharistic Adoration Break

7:00AM Friday, May 23 until 7:00AM Tuesday, May 27

MEETINGS/EVENTS

Social Concerns Committee will meet Monday, May 19, 7:00Pm in the South Social Hall. All are welcome to attend.



**POTLUCK
FOR SENIORS**

Sixty Plus Group will meet Tuesday, May 20, 12:00 noon in the South Social Hall. Please bring a dish to share plus your own table service. Beverage provided. Musical groups from Saint Cecilia School will entertain. Any parishioner 60 years of age or older is invited to attend.

Our Lady's Rosary Makers will meet Tuesday, May 20, 9:30AM at the home of Carol Catus. Anyone wishing to make rosaries is invited to call 233-1393.

Fellowship for Parents/Playgroup meets Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30AM in the A/Y Room. Next session is May 21. Contact Jenni Mortimer at 296-1858 or starkmortimer@yahoo.com or Jon Ryan at 232-2075 or sjryan2@isunet.net. All are welcome to attend.

Mark Your Calendars for the Graduation Mass June 1, 10:30AM

A luncheon, provided by the juniors and their parents, will be held in the Social Hall following Mass. Invitations have been mailed with a request for an RSVP to the Religious Education office. Graduating seniors who have not received an invitation are asked to contact the Religious Education office at 232-3514.



Saint Cecilia Prayer Chain

Send requests to: stceciliaprayerchain@gmail.com

Thank You to Our Bulletin Sponsors

The ads on the back of our bulletin make it possible to provide a weekly bulletin at no cost to Saint Cecilia Parish. We owe special thanks to our parishioners and friends of the parish who provide this service. Please take time to look at the ads and support the businesses listed.

SCHOOL NEWS

Wednesday, May 21: 2:15PM, Early dismissal
Thursday, May 22: 9:00AM, Para-liturg, grades K & 1
Thursday, May 22: Final day for 3-year-old (AM)
And 4-year-old (PM) preschool classes
Thursday, May 22: 7:00PM, Band & Orchestra Concert in
multi-purpose room
Friday, May 23: Final day for 4-year-old (PM) preschool
classes
Monday, May 26: NO SCHOOL—Memorial Day

Vacation Bible School

Kids ages 4-10 will have the opportunity to participate in this year's Vacation Bible School:

"Power Lab:

Discovering Jesus' Miraculous Power"

the week of June 9-13, 9:00-11:30AM. Please register in the Religious Education office or with Heather Currans by phone (233-2690) or by e-mail: chcurrans@mchsi.com.



Youth and adult volunteers are needed. Please contact Heather Currans to discuss available positions.

Appalachia Chaperones Needed

Please consider joining our high school youth on a mission trip to Harlan, Kentucky, July 27-August 2. This trip is spiritual and fun filled in addition to providing help to those in need. Chaperones need to be at least 25 years old and possess a valid drivers license. If interested, please call Cindy Baughman at 292-1340.

Saint Cecilia Pictorial Directories

If you had your picture taken you may receive a free directory. Directories may be picked up in the Parish Office. Those who did not have their picture taken but wish to have a copy, may purchase one for \$10.

Baptism Mentor Parents Needed

Parents who have celebrated baptism in the past 5 years are sought as mentors to parents of the newly baptized. This is a telephone ministry. Call John at 232-3514 for more information.

Lost & Found

There are many unclaimed dishes in the usher's room. If you brought food for a funeral luncheon and are missing your dish, please check the usher's room. There are also many lost and found items in the usher's room.

Your Financial Stewardship

Weekly Contributions (general) \$ 13,949
Needed weekly to meet expenses \$ 18,217
Weekly Contributions (building) \$ 1,413

Thank you to contributors to our General Fund and Building Fund. A special thank you to those who have increased their contributions. More detailed information can be shared by contacting Jerry Greving at the Parish Office.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE



Altar Server Ministry: Youth, just finishing their fourth grade year and older, may consider an Altar Server ministry. The role of the server is to assist the other ministers of the liturgy, especially the Presider, so that the ceremonies proceed smoothly. Their functions include holding the book as the Presider leads the community in prayer and offering and returning various

objects as they are needed in the worship service. The training session will be held in the Church, and will last about an hour. New servers will be scheduled and added to the server list coming out in July. Please choose one of the following sessions for training: **Tues, May 27, 6:30-7:30PM; Thurs, May 29, 6:30-7:30PM; Wed, June 4, 6:30-7:30PM.** Any questions please contact Wayne Baumhover at 290-8586.

Groups Needed for Funeral Lunches

Saint Cecilia currently has only two groups serving funeral lunches and more are needed. The typical number of funeral lunches served per year is 12-18. Your time commitment would be 2-3 hours/ lunch. If your group is willing to help with this important ministry, please call Janet or Rick Brimeyer at 296-2990.

Catechist Training Offered: The best way to learn more about our Catholic faith is to TEACH IT! Energetic and passionate Catechists and Youth Group leaders needed for the 2008-2009 school year. There is no better use of your time than sharing your faith with our young people. Call or e-mail Anna today(232-2524) or anna-jstele@gmail.com.

THE CYCLONE IN MYANMAR: Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is supporting the emergency relief and response efforts of the Caritas Internationalis network in the most affected areas of Myanmar after Cyclone Nargis struck on May 3. The latest reports of some 100,000 dead and 1 million homeless demonstrate dire conditions in which basic food, shelter and water are urgently needed.

Significant support is critical to ensure life-saving assistance reaches the most vulnerable people quickly. The Caritas network will coordinate with local and international agencies to determine how best to provide help where it is most needed. HOW TO HELP: Send a donation via check to: Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203-7090
Memo line: Southeast Asia Natural Disaster
Call 1-877-HELP-CRS

Saint Cecilia Community Book Store Hours

Saturday: 1:00-6:30PM
Sunday: 9:30AM-12:30PM
Monday 5:30-8:30PM
Other Evenings by Special request

Catechism of the Catholic Church

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

SECTION ONE "I BELIEVE"—"WE BELIEVE"

Chapter Two: God Comes to Meet Man, Article 3 Sacred Scripture

IV The Canon of Scripture

Paragraph 125: The Gospels are the heart of all Scriptures "because they are our principal source for the life and teaching of the Incarnate Word, our Savior."

126: We can distinguish three stages in the formation of the Gospels:

1. *The life and teaching of Jesus.* The Church holds firmly that the four Gospels, "whose historicity she unquestionably affirms, faithfully hand on what Jesus, the Son of God, while he lived among men, really did and taught for their eternal salvation, until the day when he was taken up."

2. *The oral tradition.* "For, after the ascension of the Lord, the apostles handed on to their hearers what he had said and done, but with that fuller understanding which they, instructed by the glorious events of Christ and enlightened by the Spirit of truth, now enjoyed."

3. *The written Gospels.* "The sacred authors, in writing the four Gospels, selected certain of the many elements which had been handed on, either orally or already in written form; others they synthesized or explained with an eye to the situation of the churches, while sustaining the form of preaching, but always in such a fashion that they have told us the honest truth about Jesus."

The Most Holy Trinity

Scientists at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York released a study about a year ago in which they were sure they could identify the particular part of the brain that controls the feeling of love. A small area called the caudate becomes very active when thoughts of love occur during an MRI brain scan. The doctors' conclusions were that love isn't an emotion; it is a drive, similar to hunger or thirst. If only they had looked in their subjects' hearts.

"For God so loved the world?" The very first few words of today's Gospel reading from John are usually enough for most people to finish the passage from memory. But take a moment and study those six words; realize how much God loves us, and then think about how great that love is when God is willing to allow his only son to die for us and our sins.

And through that death and resurrection God gives to us the completion of the Holy Trinity, the most central mystery of the Christian faith and Christian life (CCC 261). God truly wants only happiness for us; his love is not an exclusionary love meant for only a few, but for us all. Today, remember the gift of the Holy Spirit, the gift of God's only son, and the gift of God's love, all three in one.

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"You will be my witnesses . . ." Let **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** help you strengthen your marriage to be a better witness of Christ's love for his Church. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is May 30-June 1 in either Des Moines or Dubuque. Starts at 8:00PM on Friday and ends at 4:00PM Sunday. Contact John & Deb at jdcm88@netins.net or call 641-755-3667.

Please remember in your prayers:
TED LEGG, husband of Linda, and
MICHAEL RADOSEVICH, son of Fred and Betty, who recently passed away. May the Lord grant peace and consolation to their families in their time of need. May they, and all who sleep in Christ, find in God's presence, light, happiness and peace.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 17

5:00PM: Jerry Finnegan

Sunday, May 18

8:30AM: Jim Olsson

10:30AM: Erlinda Warren

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners
(Misa en Español, Chapel)

Tuesday, May 20

7:00AM: Fred Swank

5:15PM: Magdalena Walsh

Wednesday, May 21

7:00AM: Increase in Vocations

5:15PM: Trudy Nicholas

Thursday, May 22

7:00AM: Genevieve Zenor

5:15PM: Anthony L. Pometto, Jr.

Friday, May 23

7:00AM: Maysie Floyd

5:15PM: James Kearns

Saturday, May 24

5:00PM: Doris Kleinschmidt

Sunday, May 25

8:30AM: Doris Schaeffer

10:30AM: Stephen Richeson

5:00PM: Saint Cecilia Parishioners
(Misa en Español, Chapel)

Prayer Opportunities (Held in the Chapel)

Scriptural Rosary: Monday, 7:00AM

Eucharistic Adoration: The chapel is open for adoration.

Intercessory Prayer Group: Sunday, 9-10:00PM

Rosary: Monday, 7:30PM, and Tuesday-Friday before 7:00AM Mass. The rosary is said for Pro-life the first Monday of each month.

Christians in the Spirit: Tuesday, 7:15-9:00PM

Saturday Morning Prayer: 7:00AM

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Friday, 3:00PM

(The Chaplet takes about 10 minutes to recite)

Prayer Hour for Youth & the Future of the Church: Friday, 4:00PM

Readings for the Week of May 18, 2008

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Mk 10:13-18

Next Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

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